



Wear a lifejacket.

**Because
nobody
plans
to drown.**

Life jackets float.

You won't.



The water in rivers can be high, swift and cold as snow in the mountains melts, making hypothermia a real risk. Rivers constantly shift logs and rocks, both visible and hidden, which can pose hazards. Take every safety precaution to reduce the risk of drowning:

- Wear a lifejacket.
- Do not use alcohol or drugs which can impair judgement and your response in an emergency.
- Keep children within reach, always watching them closely near and in water.
- Choose safer swimming options with lifeguards present, such as a beach, lake or pool.
- Know the river conditions of where you plan to recreate.
- Visit the King County website for detailed information about how to avoid circumstances that lead to drowning deaths and rescues. Learn about river projects and known hazards in your area, lifejacket discounts and more.

www.kingcounty.gov/riversafety





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